



In re Application of  
LUCIEN F.A. DOUVEN ET AL  
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SHAVING APPARATUS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. 1. (amended) A shaving apparatus comprising a head assembly which houses at least one cutter assembly, the cutter assembly comprising a rotary cutter having cutter blades housed within a guard, the guard being provided with hair-entry apertures arranged in an annular ring and having a central opening within said annular ring, [characterised in that] wherein the peripheral surface of the head assembly comprises, for the or each cutter assembly, a first portion inside the opening within said annular ring and a second portion outside the annular ring, the first and second portions